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DIFFUSING SHEET

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One copy of the listed document is submitted herewith.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants enclose herewith a copy of a Communication from the Chinese Patent Office in a corresponding Chinese application citing such document, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the Chinese Patent Office.

Applicants note that JP 7-8805 cited in the Communication was submitted previously in the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 24, 2006.

Further in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanation:

An English language abstract of JP 10-197951 submitted herewith constitutes a
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